

Examiner to examine all the claims presently pending in this application.

This paper confirms a telephone conversation between the undersigned and the Examiner's supervisor, James Trammell, on August 27, 2002 in which Mr. Trammell confirmed that it would not be unduly burdensome upon the Examiner to examine all the claims presently pending in this application. As such, it is anticipated that the Examiner will withdraw the restriction requirement and examine all claims presently pending in this application. However, given the fact that the applicant is obligated to provisionally elect one of the two groups identified by the Examiner, the applicant provisionally elects claims 7 and 10-13 for examination in this application, with traverse.

Reconsideration of the restriction requirement is hereby requested.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit overpayment to deposit account no. 12-0415. In particular, if this response is not timely filed, then the Commissioner is authorized to treat this response as including a petition to extend the time period pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a) requesting an extension of time of the number of months necessary to make this response timely filed and the petition fee due in connection therewith may be charged to deposit account no. 12-0415.

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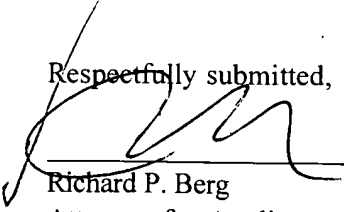
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